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PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Ryuichi EBINUMA et al.

Application No.: 09/817,018

Filed: March 27, 2001

For: SUPPORTING STRUCTURE OF OPTICAL  
ELEMENT, EXPOSURE APPARATUS  
HAVING THE SAME, AND MANUFACTURING  
METHOD OF SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

☒ No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	33	MINUS	51	= 0	x \$9 \$18	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	4	MINUS	4	= 0	x \$42 \$84	\$0.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$140/\$280						—
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$0.00

☐ °Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.

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☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed including the additional claims fees.

☐ Charge \$\_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

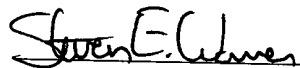
☒ Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 CFR 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the fee for a two month extension is enclosed.

☒ A check in the amount of \$180.00 to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.

☒ Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should be directed to our address given below.

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## REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF DRAWING CHANGES

Sir:

Applicants request that the Examiner approve the changes to Figures 3, 5, 7-9 and 11, as shown in red on the attached sketches, enclosed in duplicate.

In Figure 3, “ADHESSIVE” should read -- ADHESIVE --, as shown.

In Figure 5, “ADHESSIVE” should read -- ADHESIVE --, as shown.

In Figure 7, “ADHESSIVE” should read -- ADHESIVE --, as shown.

In Figure 8, both instances of “ADHESSIVE” should read -- ADHESIVE --, as shown.

In Figure 9, both instances of “ADHESSIVE” should read -- ADHESIVE --, as shown.

In Figure 11, under "FIG. 11," insert -- PRIOR ART --.

Favorable consideration is requested.

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